

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please amend the specification as follows:

**Please amend paragraph [0006] as follows:**

[0006] In a first form of the invention ~~disclosed in Claim 1~~, an airbag device mounted to a motorcycle comprises an airbag and at least one long securing member.

**Please amend paragraph [0015] as follows:**

[0015] When the first form of the invention ~~disclosed in Claim 1~~ is used as described above, the airbag device which can thoroughly protect a rider in an accident can be produced with an improved structure.

**Please amend paragraph [0016] as follows:**

[0016] ~~As disclosed in Claim 2~~ In a second form, it is desirable for the at least one long securing member ~~disclosed in Claim 1~~ to be disposed at a central area of the vehicle body between both legs of the rider. In the present invention, the term "central area of the vehicle body" is used to widely include an area passing through substantially the center of the rider in plan view of the vehicle body. Typically, the area corresponds to an area passing between both legs of the rider seated astride a seat at the vehicle body. In the present invention, the securing member is formed so that the rider does not easily get caught by or come into contact with the securing member. By virtue of such a structure, it is possible to, during the deployment and inflation of the airbag, minimize interference with a smooth operation of the airbag when the securing member gets caught by the rider during the deployment and inflation of the airbag.

**Please amend paragraph [0017] as follows:**

[0017] ~~As in the invention disclosed in Claim 3~~ In a third form, the at least one long securing member ~~in the airbag device disclosed in either Claim 1 or Claim 2~~ comprises one long securing member. In the present invention, the term "one" is used to widely include a practical form in which one member has a closed annular shape, and a practical form in which one member is formed by connecting a plurality of parts. For example, in the case where one member has a closed annular shape, even if this one member appears to have two parts, the number of members is one in the present invention.

**Please amend paragraph [0019] as follows:**

[0019] ~~As in the invention disclosed in Claim 4~~ In a fourth form, the airbag of the ~~airbag device of any one of Claims 1 to 3~~ may have a vent hole as a through hole for passing the at least one securing member. The vent hole is ordinarily used for discharging out of the airbag a portion of the inflation gas supplied into the airbag during protrusion of the airbag (that is, during the deployment and inflation of the airbag). This structure is an improved structure because the existing vent hole is used as a through hole for passing the securing member.

**Please amend paragraph [0020] as follows:**

[0020] A fifth form of the ~~The invention disclosed in Claim 5~~ relates to a motorcycle with the airbag device ~~disclosed in Claim 1~~. In the motorcycle, one end of the securing member is mounted to the airbag by inserting the one end into the airbag through the through hole passing through the wall surface of the airbag, and the other end of the securing member is mounted to a portion of the motorcycle body at the rear of the rider protection area. Accordingly, a motorcycle with an airbag device which can thoroughly protect the rider in an accident is formed with an improved structure.